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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

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FROM:

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Circular 175

SUBJECT: Request for Full Powers for Signature of

the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons -- ACTION MEMORANDUM

DISCUSSION

On June 12 the United Nations General Assembly, by a vote of 95 to 4, with 21 abstentions, completed action on the text of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (TAB A). We anticipate favorable Security Council action on the security assurances resolution in the next few days. The Treaty may be opened for signature in the near future.

The United States, United Kingdom and Soviet Union serve as Depositary Governments under this Treaty. Signature will therefore take place in the three capitals. It will be appropriate for you to sign the Treaty in Washington. On the precedent of the space treaty of 1967, it would also seem appropriate for the principal United States negotiator, William C. Foster, to sign the Treaty along with you.

In London and Moscow, the Treaty would be signed for the United States by our Ambassador or, in his absence, by the charge.

Full Powers should now be requested from the President for signature of the Non-Proliferation Treaty in Washington, London and Moscow (TAB B).

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We will be considering appropriate arrangements for a signing ceremony in Washington.

RECOMMENDATION

That Full Powers be requested for you and Mr. Foster to sign the Treaty in Washington and for our Ambassador or charge to sign it in London and Moscow.

Concurrence:

ACDA/GC - Mr. Bunn

H - Mr. Leahy

EUR - Mr. Leddy

Attachments:

TAB A - Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.

TAB B - Request for Full Powers.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Full Powers for Signature of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

It is proposed that the treaty be opened for signature on the same date in the capitals of the three Depositary Governments -- Washington, London, and Moscowick and Mosco

Benjamin H. Read Executive Secretary

Enclosure:

Four Full Powers.

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